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DETAILED ACTION

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The limitation "a second blackening layer fully covering side faces of the first blackening layer, the metal layer, and the second anticorrosive layer that are on the transparent substrate, and a front face of the second anticorrosive layer" of claim 1, "after the step of etching, fully covering side faces of the first anticorrosive layer, the first blackening layer, the metal layer, and the second anticorrosive layer that are in the laminate, and a front face of the second anticorrosive layer with a second blackening layer" of claim 6 in combination with other limitations present is neither taught nor disclosed in the prior art of record.

Communication

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hung V Ngo whose telephone number is (571) 272-1979. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Thursday 8:30-6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor Diego Gutierrez can be reached on (571) 272-2800 EXT 31. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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